

# **Windridge Elementary PTA**

PTA Board Meeting

November 2, 2016 @ Windridge Elementary

10:40 am

## **Attendance:**

Lisa Hyde, President

Valerie Halladay, Treasurer

Jessica Payne, Secretary

Carrie Forbes

Monica Glover, Fundraising Co-VP

Heidi Webster, Fundraising Co-VP

Cindy Workman, Teacher Representative

Jolene Larsen, Student Involvement VP

Laurel Shiner

Shannon Archibald

Amy Gray

Monica Monson, Family Life VP

Holly Marelli, Health Commissioner VP

Dawn Webb – Administrative Intern.

## **Members Excused:**

Lacey Gatherum, Community Involvement VP

Marcie Pierson, Parents and Pastries

Becky Riplinger, Special Needs VP

Megan Shaw

Marjorie Crummett

Amy Uboldi

Lisa Wood, Membership VP

Keeley Bierwolf, Bulletin Board/Photos

Nicole Gadd, Volunteer Coordinator

Amy Arneson, Spelling Bee

Tiffany Midgley

Whitney Hall, Individual Development VP

**Call to Order:** Lisa Hyde

**Pledge:** Jessica Payne

**Thoughts:** From Chicken Soup for the Soul. Kindness and smiles costs us nothing.

**Agenda:**

The agenda was presented and adopted by the PTA Board.

**Minutes:**

Meeting minutes for the October board meeting were presented for a vote. A motion was made to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and the minutes were approved.

**The Treasurer's Report**

Valerie Hallady presented a budget update. The funds raised to date from the fun run, Zupas and Amazon Smile totals \$6,500! Apparel and Yearbooks has brought in about \$400 in funding as well. Box tops were sent in this week and are estimated to be around \$680. Everyone is staying in budget really well.

**Officer and Commissioner Reports**

**Cindy Workman** – The Meet the Masters art program was really successful in her 6<sup>th</sup> grade classroom. It was really awesome and she totally loved it. Great Internet Safety and SNAP assemblies. Red and white ribbon week was really great. The Fun Run was really great. There was a lot of very positive feedback from the teachers.

**Dawn Webb** – The fun run was really easy for the staff and faculty and unobtrusive to the school day. It was so much easier on the teachers and very organized. We loved it so much and think it will get bigger and better every year. Some funds donated through the DSD accounts were mixed up with principal's fundraiser for the fun run. The amount was \$180, and that amount has been transferred to the fun run account. Reflections was really great this year.

**Amy Gray** – We are set next week for SEP week and dinners. The feedback from the living close to Windridge was that the fun run was great and unobtrusive to the neighbors.

**Shannon Archibald**– we really need to tell people to trim their box tops really close, on the dotted line. Also people need to know that they expire. We'll try to get this information out in the next newsletter.

**Monica Monson**– Book Fair is next week and has a pirate theme this year! We still need a few volunteers, if you're interested let Monica know and she can email you the link for volunteer sign-ups. There are about six spots open still. Friday morning is set up. Teacher preview is 1:30 on Friday. Lots of Fantastic Beast and Harry Potter books and you get a free Fantastic Beasts poster with a Harry Potter purchase.

**Heidi Webster and Monica Glover**– The Fun Run went really well. There were some things we might change for next year, like the volunteers might be handled differently in the future. It would be great to have money for a budget for next year – like \$500. The University of Utah has interest in helping sponsor something next year. PayPal didn't really get much action. Most donations came in the form of cash

and check and day of donations. DSD worked well too to pay online. We are hoping to get bigger prizes for next year and maybe have the event in September for better weather and when parents are more in the mode of helping and paying for stuff. Maybe even doing it the first week of October or last week of September. Having the event on Friday was great. One suggestion is to get the envelopes out a week earlier. Maybe if we did an email with a link to paypal to forward to friends and family we may get more response. Maybe we can we hit parents up for in-kind donations for prizes next year too. Discussion was also held as to whether we could consolidate our in-kind asks. It was also suggested that we separate out some of the fundraising efforts from the fun run, because we have Zupa's on top of fun run stuff. Discussion was also held as to how we can advertise the Fun Run fund are helping our teachers since the money will be used for teacher grants. One suggestion was to have the teachers who receive grants send an email out to parents telling them what they purchased and that the money for the grant came from the fun run.

***Jessica will put that information on the grant for that teachers will fill out after receiving a grant. She will also write a template teachers can use for the email.***

**Laurel Shiner** – The Reflections event went really well. For next year we will consider more PR at the end of the year to encourage kids to do a reflections project over the summer. We ended up with 49 entries. We have prizes left over. It was suggested we put a free-for-all box for other events in the PTA closet of anything left over from events like Reflections and Ribbon weeks. Not many people took advantage of the Reflections prep day, but it might just take a few years for people to get used to utilizing that service. One suggestion was to have a day to introduce kids to different kinds of art and possible reflections projects or put some examples online.

**Holli Marelli** – Red ribbon week was a great success. The kids had such a good time. And it was a great theme! There are a lot of ribbon weeks right in a row. Discussion was held as to whether we can spread that out more.

**Carrie Forbes** – went to a council meeting, and a suggestion was made that we advertise PTA sponsored events and activities. This way parents will get an idea of how much things cost and how much the PTA does throughout the year. A suggestion was made to create some reusable signs we can display at events and activities sponsored by the PTA.

Discussion was held as to whether we should combine our fun run with the principal's fundraiser.

The committee voted to cancel the December meeting.

Next meeting January 4, 2016 at 10:40 am.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:31 am.

Minutes will be read and approved at the next meeting.

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Minutes accepted: \_\_\_\_\_ (date)

Secretary signature: \_\_\_\_\_